

I have registered for the Indiana Telephone Privacy program and have been very pleased with its results. I now understand that members of the Consumer Bankers Association are lobbying to compromise the ITP program. I want to add my voice to others who oppose this attempt to weaken this useful Indiana law. The intent of the law is clear and the support of we who receive its benefits are unconditional. It is not the place of the FCC to grant such favors to powerful interests over the interests of those protected by the law from constant interruptions in our own homes. Two points to consider: (1) If these are businesses that already have established relationships with phone subscribers, then it is reasonable to expect that the phone subscribers know very well how to contact those businesses to seek further services if they so desire. Those businesses also have the mail addresses of their clients, etc., and so are not in any way cut off from communicating with them. (2) There will certainly be many grey areas of just what constitutes a business relationship. Even if someone no longer has an active account, no doubt some logic can be found to make a case for a pre-existing "relationship." I see this as a potential Pandora's box that will allow many dubious "relationships" to surface.

Thus, I ask you to keep in mind the sanctity of the home environment over the interests of telemarketers when considering who should take precedence in the protections afforded by this Indiana law that has such obvious widespread support.

Many thanks for your attention.

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